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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Action mailed November 30, 2006, please reconsider this application in light of the following Remarks:

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claim 17 again and maintaining the allowable subject matter indicated in the previous Action. Only claim 3 has been rejected.

Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication Nos. 2002/0013061 (Siniaguine) and 2004/0124494 (Ciovacco). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Examiner admits that Siniaguine does not teach or suggest the claimed rounding of the corner by the second etching and relies on Ciovacco for this teaching. However, Ciovacco is